October 18, 1971

Dear Harry,

Thanks for your letter of the 11th.

Apparently you have gotten confused about my relations with Mike Weisman. Please don't send him a copy ~~xx~~ of my paper (or anything else of my original work.) I am sending him only published books, etc. for which he sends me the money. (Cf. my letter of 8/17 to you.)

I'm ~~xxxx~~ pleased to hear that Lecht will be getting at the autopsy photos. He is the best person for this I can think of. I assume he will try to avoid any sensational use or misuse but, I hope someone has warned him about the risks of getting involved with some of Lane's people. I have had only a little contact with him, but he is aware of some of the specific medical questions raised by the work on the head shot.

Thanks for the info about ~~xxx~~ Lou Lethell's book. Let me know if you ~~xxxx~~ hear any more.

There are some things in the papers recently that you (all) might be interested in:

* ~~xx~~ new book: "A Search for Justice", by John Sonnenhalter et al., a study of the court system based on the Sirhan, Ray, and Chaw trials. I haven't seen it and probably ~~xxx~~ won't buy it. (10/25, Aurora)

* AP story, 10/13, on break in FBI liason with CIA. ~~xxx~~ I'm enclosing the short S.F. Chronicle version for you and D.F., and the full AP version for ~~xx~~. Very interesting; this may explain why the FBI released (last fall) a FD which revealed the CIA tap on the Russian Embassy in Mexico City when ~~xxxx~~ Oswald was there. I think I'll formulate a request of Information request for the CIA.

* An article by Thomas Ross on what the Pentagon wanted to take out of the Pentagon Papers (copies enclosed for D. and D.F. only.) (Also 10/19/71)

* The 10/13/71 issue of the Guardian has a 4-page report on the killing of George Jackson. Looks like a pretty good summary of the factual issues.

* The Chronicle for 10/16 reports what may be an important F of I precedent, in connection with the Amchitka test. The D.C. appeals court said that unclassified documents in a classified file are not automatically exempt.

* A N.Y. story in today's Chron. mentions a conference on the FBI, to be held at Princeton on Oct. 29-30. Have any of us gotten involved in this? Hoover wrote them a letter.

* With regard to the Jones memo being published in J & A, Jim Lesar says he was as surprised to see it there as I was.

I heard from Lifton last week, after a 4-months gap. He is apparently still at work, but I gave up ~~xxxx~~ holding my breath some time ago.

cc: Hy, D.F.

Sincerely,

Paul